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CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d))

1. This is a request for the filing of a

☒ continuation☐ divisionalcontinued prosecution application under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) of  
the above-identified prior nonprovisional application.

It is further requested that this continued prosecution application utilize the file jacket and contents of the prior application, including the specification, drawings, and oath or declaration from the prior application, to constitute this new application, and that the application number of the above-identified prior application be assigned for identification purposes. 37 CFR § 1.53(d)(2)(iv).

The prior application is assigned to ILFORD IMAGING SWITZERLAND GMBH, and an assignment document was recorded in the prior application.

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It is also requested that the above-identified application be expressly abandoned as of the filing date accorded this continued prosecution application. 37 CFR § 1.53(d)(2)(v).

**2. Copendency With Prior Application**

With respect to the above-identified non-provisional application, this continued prosecution application is being filed:

A. X before the earliest of the:

- termination of proceedings on the prior application (37 CFR § 1.53(d)(1)(ii)(C);
- payment of the Issue Fee thereon (37 CFR § 1.53(d)(1)(ii)(A)); or
- X abandonment of the prior application (37 CFR § 1.53(d)(1)(ii)(A));

OR

B.        after the payment of the Issue Fee -- A petition under § 1.313(b)(5) has been granted in the prior application. 37 CFR § 1.53(d)(1)(ii)(A).

The term for response or taking action in the prior application expires on July 14, 2000.

X An extension of time in the prior application is:

X filed concurrently in the prior application.

       has been filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

**3. No New Matter**

This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application. 37 CFR § 1.53(d)(2)(ii).

**4. Access to Prior Application**

Filing of this continued prosecution application is to be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. § 122, to the extent that any

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member of the public, who is entitled under the provisions of  
§ 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning,  
either in the prior application or any continuing application  
filed under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.53(d), may be given  
similar access to, copies of, or similar information  
concerning the other application or applications in the file  
jacket. 37 CFR § 1.53(d)(6).

**5. 35 U.S.C. § 120 Statement**

Filing of this request is the specific reference required by  
35 U.S.C. § 120 to every application assigned the application  
number identified in this request. No amendment in this  
application may delete this specific reference to any prior  
application. 37 CFR § 1.53(d)(7) and 1.78(a)(2).

**6. Foreign Priority Claim**

The above-identified prior application claimed priority  
benefit of European Patent application Serial No.: 97104740.2  
filed March 20, 1997. This continued prosecution application  
claims the same priority benefits.

**7. Inventorship**

This continued prosecution application names as inventors:

  X   the same inventors named in the prior application on  
the date this continued prosecution application under  
37 CFR § 1.53(d) is being filed.

— inventors fewer than all the inventors named in the  
prior application. Please DELETE the following name(s)  
as inventor(s):

**8. Preliminary Amendment**

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

The present application is a continued prosecution